

Local News

The boy scouts are ordered to meet at the school grounds at 7 o'clock sharp, Saturday. Members kindly attend.

Mr J E Axvig who has had charge of the McCormick Agency here for the past six months left for Calgary on Tuesday. Mr Axvig while in Bowden made many warm friends and should he return at any time in the future he will be welcomed by all.

Dr R K Lillie of Brockville, Ont. was in town a few hours on Saturday visiting his old friend, the editor. Dr Lillie left on the afternoon train for a trip to the coast.

Mrs C Thompson and daughter, Vida, of Red Lodge, left Sunday evening for Calgary from where Miss Thompson will go to Winnipeg to attend business college.

The Directors of the Bowden Agricultural Society will meet in McCue's hall on Saturday the 23, at 3 p.m. All directors are requested to attend owing to business of importance coming before this meeting.

We wish to extend our congratulations to Dr A E Shore who received word on Saturday, Sept 16, that he successfully passed the College of Physicians and Surgeons Examinations held in Calgary last August. The papers this year were very hard, only twenty candidates out of ninety that tried passed in Medicine.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

PRESBYTERIAN

Presbyterian Church services will be held next Sunday at Red Lodge 11.30, Eagle Creek 3 p.m., Bowden 7.30. The second sermon of the "Series of Special Sermons," to young men, will be delivered in the evening. Subject, "The Crime of Fashionable Degradation." You are cordially invited to attend. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at close of service.

METHODIST

Rev F E Davies will conduct Divine Service this Sunday 24th. Lone Pine 11.30. Bowden 3.

A Moving Picture Entertainment will be given in McCue's Hall on Friday, October 6th, under the auspices of the Methodist Church. Some splendid films will be shown a feature being "The Coronation Procession in London." This is an entertainment that will appeal to all. Fuller particulars next week.

Congregational Meeting

A meeting was held on Sunday 17th, the Rev A McClain Banting in the chair. Present, Messrs Dupencier, Hoare, Armitstead, and Mesdames Taylor, Keene, Brewster.

On the motion of Mrs Keene, Mr Armitstead was elected Vestryman. On the motion by Mr Hoare, Mrs Taylor, the thanks of the meeting were accorded Mr and Mrs Brewster for their past services to St Matthews's Church.

On the motion Mrs Keene, Mr Dupencier, it was decided that the vegetables of the Harvest Home be given to Mrs Roulston.

The meeting decided that Mrs Keene have charge of the wine.

The completion of the shed was left over until a further meeting.

On the motion by Mr Dupencier, Mr Hoare, the meeting was adjourned.

Summit Siftings

This last rainfall was not really essential to the happiness of the harvesters.

So Mr Blair McMillan was not murdered after all. Well, his friends are glad to hear it, but who was the poor fellow whom the assassin mistook for him?

Mr J Wilson of "Grand View Ranch" visited friends in Summit this week. Mr Wilson who has just returned from a tour through Scotland, is looking years younger as a result of his travels, and has gained fifteen pounds in weight and yet he returned to our Sunny Prairie "The call of the wild's" proved too strong.

A few days ago, your correspondent received an interesting letter from a Missionary's wife.

Up in the far north surrounded by privations of every kind a small band of heroic women have formed a branch of the "W A". It consists of five members only, but they seem to be doing a splendid work and in conjunction with the usual pledges have undertaken the sole support of a child belonging to needy parents.

I believe we are often too prone to imagine we must go outside our own district in order to find our pleasures, whereas they lie close around us if we will only open our eyes and look for them. I remember once hearing a clergyman say "When the Kingdom of God is within us, and the beauties of nature around us, how can we feel unhappy?" It is quite true that we can all cultivate cheerfulness. Take a leaf from the book of an old Scotch friend of mine, who, when the minister attempted to console with him on the loss of his wife, replied resignedly "Ah weel. Ah weel, it might ha bin much worse, for it might ha bin mesel."

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Jenkins—"Bad cold you have, Thompson. How did you contract it?"
Thompson—"I didn't contract it. It was only a little one, and I expanded it!"

He—"That fellow over there cheated me out of a cool ten thousand."
She—"How could he?"
He—"Wouldn't let me marry his daughter."

Baby's Rash Became a Mass of Humor

Parents Decided He Could Not Be Cured. "Cuticura" Soon Made His Skin Perfectly Clear.

A Toronto man, Mr. Robert Mann, of 7524 Queen St. East, says: "Our boy was born in Toronto on Oct. 13, 1908, and when three months old a slight rash appeared on his cheek. What appeared to be a water blister would form. When it broke, matter would run out, starting new blisters until his entire face, head and shoulders were a mass of scabs and you could not see a particle of clear skin. We did not know what to do for him and tried about every advertised remedy without avail, indeed some of them only added to his suffering and one in particular, the remedy almost put the infant into convulsions. The family doctor prescribed for him. This did not do any good, so we took him to a hospital. He was treated as an out-patient twice a week and he got worse, if anything. We then called in another doctor and inside of a week the boy was, to all appearances, cured and the doctor said his work was done. But the very next day it broke out as bad as ever."



"We decided that it could not be cured and must run its course and so we just kept his arms bandaged to his side to prevent his tearing his flesh. The Cuticura Remedies were recommended. We started using them in May, 1909, and soon the cure was complete. Cuticura made his skin perfectly clear and he is entirely free from the skin disease." (Signed) Robert Mann, May 3, 1910.

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VISITS TO IRELAND

Laughable Adventures of Royalty in the Emerald Isle.

The visit of the King and Queen to Ireland which evoked scenes of the greatest enthusiasm in the green island, for Ireland is not disloyal. As King George discovered for himself in 1897, when he went to that country as the special representative of his grandmother on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee. Now he has entered Ireland as King of England and Ireland; the second to visit the Emerald Isle since 1824.

The visit of King Edward shortly after his accession to the throne was one of the most successful any monarch ever paid. Received with extraordinary enthusiasm, His Majesty won the hearts of all by his graciousness and tact.

One or two humorous incidents illuminated the series of state functions and festivities. Thus, owing to a mistake on the part of a member of the royal suite, a small shopkeeper was presented to the King to receive the honor of knighthood.

The individual in question was duly dubbed "Sir Knight" before the discovery of the mistake was made, and everybody in the know wondered what would happen when the King learnt that his latest knight owned a tiny shop in Kingstown behind the counter of which he served in person. But death solved the problem.

It may have been due to the excitement caused by the unexpected honor, but whatever it was, the knight died suddenly within forty-eight hours of receiving the accolade.

Later on in the tour, when the King was in the south of Ireland, he attended a loyal demonstration at which it was proposed to present Queen Alexandra with a magnificent bouquet.

The little four-year-old daughter of a local magnate was given the honor of making the presentation, and for that purpose was led on to the platform where their Majesties, surrounded by a brilliant staff, awaited the child.

When she arrived, somewhat breathless, and looked round for the great personage who was to have her lovely bouquet, the tiny tot saw a gentleman dressed in the conventional frock coat and silk hat and some quietly-dressed ladies. To her, these seemed of no importance, for on all sides there were men wearing magnificent uniforms and cocked hats with waving plumes.

She quickly decided that the most magnificent-looking of them all—a certain distinguished general in the service of the royal family, who was wearing his full uniform—was most deserving of the bouquet, so without hesitating any longer, she toddled off to him and handed him the flowers.

The general blushed from sheer embarrassment, but the child never discovered her mistake, for with a kindly smile the Queen took the child's hand and said a few gracious words to her, quickly putting everybody at ease.

Playing Off a Tie.

The last scene in the fashionable life of the Count D'Orsay as told in Mr. Teignmouth Shore's biography of him:

Just before the dinner hour a pastry cook's boy presented himself at Gore House with a dish, sent in, so he said by the confectioner. Having left this in the kitchen, he deliberately walked upstairs to the count's dressing room.

"Well, who's that?" asked D'Orsay. It was a sheriff's officer.

"Really!" exclaimed D'Orsay and demanded that he should be permitted to complete the tying of his tie. Salon or prison, his tie must be perfect.

"But, count!"

"Bah, bah! All in good time." The officer was quite interested in the tying of that tie. Few men had been so honored as to be allowed to see how D'Orsay tied his tie, and, lo, by the time the tie was tied the sun had sunk to rest and D'Orsay was free till sunrise!

"John," said D'Orsay, calmly walking off to the drawing-room, "kick this chap out of the door."

The which was executed, and the writ was not.

Elephants Killed by Rats.

In 1868 three of Hagenbeck's elephants, just brought from Africa, were attacked by rats, which ate through the wooden floor on which they (the elephants) stood and gnawed the animals' feet. All three died, no doubt from fright rather than from pain. Mr. Robinson, in quoting this story as "the most dreadful" apparently in his collection of anecdotes of elephants attacked by puny enemies, seems to be unaware that the same thing has happened in England. The first chronicled instance, we believe, belongs not to Regent's Park Zoological Gardens, but to Clifton, and has been duly recorded by Frank Buckland. But there has been trouble in the London Gardens before now with rats attacking the large animals; the old hippopotamus Guy Fawkes was one of the sufferers. —London Spectator.

Japanese Landowners.

A landowner in Japan owns the surface and products of the surface of the land only. All minerals under the surface appertain not to him, but to the Japanese government.

Gold and Silver Coins.

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MOLDED HIS DEATH TOLL.

Legend of "the Poor Sinner's Bell" That Was Cast in Breslau.

The poor sinner's bell is a bell in the city of Breslau, in the province of Silesia, Prussia, and hangs in the tower of one of the city churches. It was cast July 11, 1384, according to historic records. It is said that a great bell founder of the place had undertaken to make the finest church bell he had ever made.

When the metal was melted the founder withdrew for a few moments, leaving a boy to watch the furnace and enjoining him not to meddle with the catch that held the molten metal, but the boy disobeyed the caution, and when he saw the metal flowing into the mold he called the founder.

The latter rushed in and, seeing, as he thought, his work of weeks undone and his masterpiece ruined, struck the boy a blow that caused his immediate death. When the metal cooled and the mold was opened the bell was found to be not only perfect, but of marvelous sweetness of tone.

The founder gave himself up to the authorities, was tried and condemned to death. On the day of his execution the bell was rung to call people to attend church and offer a prayer for the unhappy man's soul, and from that it obtained the name of "the poor sinner's bell."

SEEING A PURPLE COW.

Perfectly Natural Under Certain Conditions, Says an Artist.

H. Anthony Dyer, painter of water colors, was explaining the matter to some possible buyers of his wares.

"Suppose while you are in the country in summer," said he, "you chance upon a Holstein cow grazing on a hillside. Holsteins, of course you know, are black and white. The pasture is green. Off at one side is a gray unpainted barn. Do you stagger with surprise when you notice that that cow is purple? Not a bit of it. If it were not purple you might reasonably consult an oculist. That would be a sign that your eyes needed attention."

"But you may never have tried to figure out why the cow is purple. Here is the answer: The complementary color of the green pasture is red. The sight of green always suggests red, although we don't realize it. Flooding the scene is the yellow sunshine. The yellow, the red and the green combine to tint the grazing neutral-colored cow purple, and purple it undeniably is, as you must admit when next you encounter one under such circumstances. Nevertheless, therefore, may you sing with Gilett Burgess:

I never saw a purple cow.
I never hope to see one.
—New York Press.

Quarantine.

First quarantine was established at Venice in 1127.

Lifting the Napkin Ring.

Lay a napkin ring on the table and try to pick it up with the first finger. To do this it is necessary to twist the ring very rapidly. The motion must come from the wrist entirely.

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Isidore was turning over the pages of his new reader. The picture of a cow greatly excited him. "Teacher, teacher," he called. "I vooce seen a cow!"

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Does the Veto Hurt Business

What the People Say,
Where It Has Been
Tried

In an age like ours when the dollar bulks so big this is an all important question. The liquor traffic driven, by the stern logic of "things as they are," from one position to another, has taken its last stand upon the charge that Veto hurts business.

This is a matter that cannot be settled by theory, or philosophy, or by individual opinion. Much less can it be settled by the ipse dixit of a few dry travellers or other friends of the trade.

If Veto hurts business, then in the nature of the case the business men in Veto towns would be the first to know it. If it kills towns, then the townspeople in the dead towns—unless they are dead too—would grasp the fact. This is too obvious to need arguing.

Now, what are the facts? Last year the liquor traffic stated—and their friends echoed—that the veto municipalities in Manitoba are dead and the people anxious, nay, yearning for their day of release when at the polls they could repeal veto and bring resurrection to their cadaverous towns.

And so with a flourish of trumpets and beating of tomtoms, the trade attacked veto in the 24 places that were open for repeal. They told the people that their towns were dead and that a repeal of veto would bring life and wealth and abounding good times.

Curious to relate 14 of the 24 dead places were so pleased with their death like state that they refused even to submit a repeal by-law to the vote of the electors.

In 10 of the 24 places the traffic succeeded in bringing on a vote and in 9 out of the 10 the veto by-law was overwhelmingly sustained. The tenth was Kildonan, a little municipality including a portion of Winnipeg suburbs and here the repeal was carried.

The Reeve of Kildonan is authority for the statement that three-fourths of the resident voters, voted against repeal. The majority was secured by imported voters from Winnipeg, and many of these were personators.

And so the people in 24 out of 24 places in Manitoba put themselves on record as highly satisfied with the results of veto. Some of these places had been dry for a good many years, others for only two or three years.

Consider one place as a sample. In the town of Birtle, veto was originally carried by a majority of only one, and it had been in force for some time. When the liquor men passed their petition for repeal through this town they were only able to secure twelve signatures.

The places where the trade tried and failed to bring on a repeal veto are:

Silver Creek, Thompson, Woodworth, Dufferin, Rosedale, Lansdowne, Miniota, MacDonald, Elton, Hartney, Birtle, Roland, Cameron, Swan River Municipality.

The places where the trade succeeded in bringing on a vote, and in which they were beaten are:

Rosburn, South Norfolk, Riverside, North Norfolk, Edward, Odanah, Pipestone, Swan River Town, Argyle.

The one lone place which they claim to have won is—Kildonan.

Now who knows best whether these 24 Manitoba places are dead

or alive? The merchants and townspeople, or the brewers, distillers, bar-keepers and their friends? Manifestly the men who would know it first and best are the residents. Their emphatic and unanimous answer to the charge was given at the polls last December.

In Ontario 153 places were open to appeal last winter. The trade hand picked 27 places and brought on a repeal vote. They picked the places in which they felt sure of victory—including Owen Sound.

In 25 out of the 27 the repeal was beaten and veto sustained by large vote. In two villages the trade seemed to gain victory. But the facts are that these two places, Courtwright and Hepworth, never carried the veto in the first place—but being parts of municipalities were outvoted by the surrounding country. They then became incorporated and submitted a repeal vote. The liquor majority on repeal was smaller than it was when the by-law was carried. So even here the trade suffered defeat, in this at least that it lost ground.

As a matter of fact, therefore, the trade lost 27 out of 27 places. In these places the people said that local option was good enough to keep.

This class of evidence ought to be conclusive to any fair minded man. But to it could be added the testimony of a multitude of business men. For instance:

W. H. B. Hill, Mayor of Hartney, Manitoba, the leading merchant, who does not pose as a temperance man, says: "I have no hesitation in saying that business conditions are infinitely better under veto than under license. Hartney most effectually disproves the statement that towns with bars draw business from veto towns. Our town commands every mile of territory due to it, and more."

Councillor A. Fry, of Hartney, says: "I have always worked against veto, and thought that we would be better off with a license."

But I want to be honest and must say veto is a success. I do not believe that ten men could be found to vote against it."

R. B. Griffith, of Grand Forks, the merchant prince of North Dakota, says: "The saloon is competitor to the store and a detriment to every legitimate business. As a purely business proposition, any community is a gainer by abolishing the liquor traffic."

After three years of Local Option in Toronto Junction and with two new banks, one banker said: "We have \$100,000 more in our Savings Department than we had three years ago."

A leading Dry Goods man of Toronto Junction said: "In spite of the increased competition my business is better today. Families that had little to spend in bar-room days have money now and are buying better goods and paying cash."

E. Letherby, Mayor of Midland, says: "Arguments of the liquor interests, that Local Option would injure business, or cause a diversion from here, are in my opinion absurd. There has been absolutely no diversion of business from here—with the exception of the liquor traffic. Our merchants testify to a substantial increase in business, on a better cash basis, and report the payment of accounts written off as worthless, when the bars were running."

Lief Jones, M. P., England, says: "I recently met the finished article of the liquor trade. He was lying in a gutter. He had no hat; the hat trade was suffering. His coat was full of holes; the tailoring trade was suffering. He had no shirt; the haberdashery trade was suffering. He had no stockings; the hosiery trade was suffering. He was dirty; the soap trade was suffering. Indeed, I can hardly mention an industry that was not affected by that man's insobriety."

In the forthcoming campaign about to be started in the interests of Local Option the policy of the News will be neutral. The foregoing article is published in the interest of the Temperance Cause as an advertisement and was contracted as such. The Licensed Victuallers are at liberty to use our columns under the same conditions.—Editor

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(Continued.)

"Excellent," cried Evors. "Couldn't be better. Do you think those people would mind if you looked them up very late tonight?"

"Not in the least," Venner said. "There is only one drawback," and that is the danger of travelling."

Le Fenwick suggested that the difficulty could be easily overcome by the use of Fenwick's motor, which, fortunately, the detectives had brought back with them when they came in search of the culprit. It was an easy matter to rig Fenwick up in something suggestive of a feminine garb and smuggle him out into the grounds, and thence to the stable, where the motor was waiting. Fenwick came down stairs presently, a pitiable yellow object. His mind still seemed wandering; but he braced himself and became a little more like himself when the plan of action was explained to him. Vera drew a deep breath of relief when once the man was outside the house.

"Thank God, we shall never see him again," she said, fervently. "And now, do you know, I believe I could eat something. It is the first time that the idea of food has been pleasant to me for days."

Meanwhile, Venner and Fenwick were speeding along in the car towards London. Perhaps it was the knowledge that safety lay before him, perhaps it was the exhilaration caused by the swift motion of the car, but Fenwick became more and more like himself as they began to near the metropolis.

"This is very kind of you," he said, "considering you are a stranger to me. If you only knew my unfortunate story—"

"I know your story perfectly," Venner said, coldly. "You see, I had the pleasure of the friendship of the late Mr. George Le Fenwick, and Mr. Evors and the younger Mr. Le Fenwick are also known to me. Not to be behindhand in exchanging confidence for confidence, I may also say that your niece, Vera, is my wife."

Fenwick said no more, for which Venner was profoundly grateful. They came at length to the little house in Poplar, where Fenwick was smuggled in, and a certain part of the story confided to a seafaring man and his comfortable, motherly wife, who professed themselves ready and willing to do anything that Venner asked them.

"Give him a sitting room and a bedroom," Venner said, "and take this ten-pound note and buy him a rough workman's wardrobe in the morning as if you were purchasing it for yourself. Let him lie low here for a day or two, and I will write you instructions. As to myself, I must be back to Canterbury without delay."

Trembling with a sort of fearful joy, Fenwick found himself presently in a comfortable sitting-room at the back of the house. He noted the cleanliness of the place; and his heart lightened within him. Something of his own stern self-reliant courage was coming back to him; his busy mind began to plan for the future. Presently he was conscious of a healthy desire to eat and drink. In response to his ring, the landlady informed him that she had some cold meat in the house, and that it was not yet too late to send out for something of a spirituous nature.

"Very well," Fenwick said in high good humor. "Give me the cold meat, and ask your husband to get me a bottle of brandy. I shall feel all the better for a thorough wash, and don't be long, my good woman, for I have never been so hungry in my life as I am now."

Fenwick returned to the sitting-room a few minutes later to find a decent meal spread out for him. There was cheese and butter and some cold meat under a metal cover. A bottle of brandy stood by the side of Fenwick's plate, with a siphon of soda-water. He took a hearty pull of the mixture. The generous spirit glowed in his veins. He would cheat the world yet.

"And now for the food," he said. "I trust it is beef. Nothing like beef on occasions like this. Also—"

He raised the cover from the dish. Then he jumped to his feet with a snarling oath. He could only stand there, trembling in every limb, with a fascinated gaze on the dish before him.

"God help me," he whispered. "There is no getting away from it. The last warning—the fourth finger!"

CHAPTER XXVII. Nemesis.

For a long space of time Fenwick stood there with his head buried in his hands. All the way through, he had never been able to disguise from himself the feeling that, sooner or later, this dread thing must happen. Years ago he had taken his life in his hands in exploring the recesses of the Four Finger Mine; he had more or less known what he had to

expect, for the mine had been a sacred thing, almost a part of the religion of the diminishing tribe which had imparted the secret to Le Fenwick, and any intruder was bound to suffer. So far as Fenwick knew, the last survivor of this tribe was Felix Zary. Leaving out of account altogether the latter's religious fanaticism, he had been deeply and sincerely attached to the family of Le Fenwick, and now he was playing the part of the avenging genius. All these things came back to Fenwick at he sat there.

He knew full well the character of the man he had to deal with; he knew how clever and resourceful Felix Zary was. Hitherto, he had scorned the suggestion that there was some mysterious magic behind Zary's movements, but now he did not know what to think. All he knew was that he was doomed, and that all the police in the metropolis could not shield him from the reach of Zary's long arm.

And here, indeed, as proof positive of the fact. Two hours before, nobody, not even Fenwick himself, knew that he would spend the night at the little house in Poplar. And here was Zary already upon his track, almost before he had started on the long journey which was intended to lead to the path of safety. Fenwick never troubled to think what had become of the meal prepared for him, or how the extraordinary change had been brought about. Gradually, as he sat there, something like strength and courage came back to him. Come what might, he would not yield, he would not surrender himself into the hands of the foe without a struggle. He replaced the cover over the dish, and rang the bell for his landlady. She came in a moment later, comfortable and smiling, the very picture of respectable middle-age. As Fenwick glanced at her, he at once acquitted her of any connection with his final warning.

"I am sorry to trouble you," he said, "but I should like to know if you have any other lodgers. You see, I am rather a bad sleeper, suffering a great deal from nightmare, and I should not like to alarm your other lodgers in the middle of the night."

"Lord bless you, sir," the woman said, "we haven't any lodgers at all. We don't need to take them, seeing that my man is comfortably off. Of course, we are pleased to do anything we can for you, but we shouldn't have had you here at all if it hadn't been to please Mr. Venner. We'd do anything for him."

"No doubt," Fenwick said, hastily. "I suppose your good husband sees a good many of his old friends occasionally?"

"No, he doesn't," the woman replied. "He don't suppose we have had anybody in the house except yourself for the last two months. I hope you have enjoyed your supper, sir?"

"Oh, yes," Fenwick stammered. "I finished all the meat. There is one thing more I should like to ask you. I may have to go out presently, late as it is. Do you happen to have such a thing as a latchkey? If you haven't the key of the front door will do."

The latchkey was forthcoming, and presently Fenwick heard his landlady and his wife go upstairs to bed. He did not feel comfortable until he had crept all over the house and seen that everything was made secure. Then he sat down to think the matter out. Twice he helped himself liberally to brandy, a third time his hand went mechanically to the bottle—then he drew back.

"I mustn't have any more of that," he said. "It would be simply playing into the hands of the fiend who is pursuing me."

With a resolution that cost him an effort, Fenwick locked the brandy away in a cupboard and threw the key out of the window. In his present state of mind he dared not trust himself too far. Partially divesting himself of his clothing he drew from about his waist a soft leather belt containing pockets, and from these pockets he produced a large amount of gold coins and a packet of banknotes. Altogether there were some hundreds of pounds, and Fenwick congratulated himself on the foresight which had led him to adopt this plan in case necessity demanded it. He had enough and more than enough to take him to the other side of the world, if only he could manage to get rid of Felix Zary.

His mind was made up at length; he would creep out of the house in the dead of the night and make his way down to the Docks. At every hour ships of various size and tonnage put out of the port of London, and, no doubt, the skipper of one of these for a consideration would take him wherever he wanted to go; and Fenwick knew, moreover, that there were scores of public houses along the side of the river which are practically never closed, and which are run entirely for the benefit of seafaring men. It would be easy to make inquiries at some of these and discover what vessels were leaving the next tide, and a bargain could be struck immediately. So far as Fenwick was concerned, he inclined towards a sailing ship bound for the Argentine. His spirits rose slightly at the prospect before him; his step was fairly light and buoyant as he proceeded in the direction of his bedroom. There was no light in the room, so that he had to fumble about in his pockets for a box of matches which fell from his fingers and dropped onto the floor.

"Confound it," Fenwick muttered. "Where are they?"

"Don't trouble," a calm, quiet voice said out of the darkness. "I have matches, with which I will proceed to light the gas."

(To be continued.)

M'CARTHY'S RUSE.

How the Lawyer Got Ahead of the Railway Company.

One of the first railways if not the very first built in the old province of Upper Canada was the Northern, now a division of the Grand Trunk, from the city of Toronto to the Georgian Bay at Collingwood. Railway construction was in its infancy and the expense of building was out of all proportion to the amount estimated. Everything the railway owned was mortgaged to the ears.

The railway made a practice of fighting all claims made against it irrespective of their being just or unjust, but the real difficulty was after a judgment had been obtained against the company an attempt was made to realize the amount by sale under an execution in the sheriff's or bailiff's hands.

One morning there came into the office of Dalton McCarthy of Barrie, then a young lawyer, a farmer, from the Township of Innishail, named McNaughton. He said that he had some cattle killed by the Northern railway Co. The cause of the cattle getting on the company's line was that the company's fence was defective. As the company was legally obliged to keep up the fence there could be little doubt of their liability.

"Mr. McCarthy," said the farmer, "I understand I can get a judgment against the company, but if I can't get the money I don't want to throw good money after bad."

McCarthy looked at his client out of a pair of very piercing grey eyes and said:

"Mr. McNaughton, I have an idea that I can make the company pay the money, provided we get judgment, but it may be a bitter fight. If I start I don't want to back down."

The farmer agreed and the action was sued in the County Court of the County of Simcoe, and judgment recovered for \$175 and costs of suit. Execution was issued in due course and this McCarthy himself carried to the sheriff's office and handed it to the sheriff. When the sheriff received it he said: "Well, McCarthy, I suppose I had better return this now."

"Hold on, sheriff, don't be in a hurry. Who is your best bailiff?"

"Simpson I think, but he is out of town serving jurors."

"When he comes back issue your warrant and send Simpson down to the office."

About the middle of the following week Simpson came down to McCarthy's office.

"Good morning, Mr. McCarthy; the sheriff told me to come down to your office and bring with me the warrant under the goods writ in McNaughton vs. the Northern."

"Yes, I want you to get three or four stout fellows and drive over to Allandale so as to be there when the train arrives. I shall meet you there."

The train arrived about half an hour behind time. When it arrived and before it ran up the spur to Barrie the sheriff's officer got on the locomotive and seized the wood in the tender of the engine, and he and his men piled it on the platform of the station. The engineer grinned good-naturedly and went in and saw the station agent. He was told to back up to the nearest wood pile and refill the tender. This he did. Again as soon as he arrived at the station the wood was seized by the sheriff's officer and taken out of the tender of the engine. After this had been filled and emptied five or six times the engineer went in once more to see the agent and reported that he could not get away from the platform without fuel. The agent came out looking red and angry and said:

"How long are you going to keep up this game of hide and seek, McCarthy?"

"Until the company pays the damages and costs in McNaughton vs. the Northern, if it takes all the rest of the season," returned the lawyer.

"Well, wait till I hear from Toronto. I have wired for instructions."

"All right, go ahead."

In about an hour a message came direct to McCarthy from the solicitor of the road, undertaking payment of the damages and costs. The train was permitted to go on its way unmolested, and McCarthy had drawn the first blood. He afterwards became a celebrated lawyer and one of the most prominent politicians in the Dominion of Canada.

Getting Rid of Flies.

"We do not use screens in our upper windows, yet are never troubled with flies and only occasionally by a mosquito," said a careful housekeeper.

"For an hour each morning the windows and shutters are opened wide to air and sun, but very early the rooms are put in order. This means that all dust is carefully removed and that all crockery is dry and perfectly clean. Then the blinds are closed and the curtains partially drawn, leaving the room dark and cool and sweet—not at all attractive to flies. On retiring we leave the shutters closed and use candles for light, because they give sufficient light without diffusing much heat or attracting insects. I have never been troubled with moths in rooms so treated. I keep all the house rather dark during intense heat, as it is cool and refreshing after the hot glare outside, but several times each week I let in plenty of sunshine to dispel any possible dampness, and there is an abundance of fresh air at all times."

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CATGUT STRINGS.

How the Tough Sheep Membranes Are Fitted For the Violin

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The next step is to spin the strands together and place them on the drying frames. A violin E string of American manufacture takes six strands, the European string four. The strands, which are at one end fastened to an upright post, are twisted together while still damp and pliable by means of a spinning wheel. When they are taken from the drying frame the strings are cut into lengths, coiled and boxed in oiled paper for shipment.

To polish the strings there is used a very fine emery paper laid on a grooved aluminum block. While the strings are still on the drying frame the covered block is passed over the strings, polishing as many at one time as there are grooves in the block. The process of making the fine gut strings for use in surgery or the heavy strings three-eighths of an inch thick which are sometimes used for machinery belting does not differ materially from the methods followed in the case of the strings for musical instruments, except that the latter are handled with more care.

Like English Dresses.

Queen Mary's adherence for the Rue de la Paix is well known. All her tailoring is done in England, and her recent denunciation, by proxy, of the hobble skirt is only one instance of her strict opinions on dress. Some time ago Her Majesty sent for a noted dressmaker, and gave her instructions somewhat as follows: "I will not have my waist pinched, nor my skirt tight; and my day sleeves are to come down to my wrists, and my dress must be high in the neck. If you mind those things, you can make me a couple of frocks according to your own ideas." So pleased was Her Majesty with these that she ordered another dozen dresses from the same firm. A tale all over society is that a male costumer ventured to submit to her that she really need not wear so many petticoats. "All right," was the answer. "I do not mind dropping a couple so long as I keep my red flannel one." This story was related almost within royal hearing at the Duchess of Devonshire's Derby night function.—Liverpool Post.

Card Invitations.

In a general way there is no very marked change in the correct forms of card invitations, letters of introduction or in the convention of visiting cards.

The preference for the old English and colonial text and also for the English script continues, although the Roman text may still be preferred by those who are accustomed to its use, but it is not nearly as much in vogue as in former seasons.

Wedding Gifts.

The necessary silver for a bride is four sets of spoons, which include tablespoons, dessertspoons, teaspoons and after dinner coffeespoons; four sets of forks, including oyster forks, and two sizes of steel knives with silver handles and also silver butter knives. If the carrying is to be done on the table two sets of carvers will be needed. Any of these will make acceptable wedding gifts.

Good
form

When Men Are Rude.

"My dear, isn't he the rudest thing you ever saw?" This is shrilled in an indignant nasal twang as a man walks rapidly by two giggling girls and does not hold the door back for them to pass.

It does look rude, but they forget that that same man just held back the other door and that they teetered through it without a smile of acknowledgment or the faintest "Thank you."

The girl who continually complains that men are growing rude is very frequently rude herself. The girl who is gentle and appreciative generally has no grievance along this line. She has learned that the average man likes to be courteous as much as the average woman wants him to be.

Watch a girl who is modestly gracious. Doors are held open, window shades are adjusted, seats are given up—yes, even this last sacrifice is made—and precedence is yielded her at every step. She does not demand attention, but by her very presence she inspires it. It is not only the obviously cheap girl who is rude. The woman who bears every mark of refinement and wealth will ignore the commonest civilities in a manner that leaves the observer gasping.

Look around you and see the women who are left to struggle with heavy doors and to pull themselves up the high steps of the trolleys and then look at the women who are always helped, always considered, even by the most negligent member of the male sex.

First Calls.

A first call should be returned within a week. The correct hours for calling are between 3 and 6 in the afternoon. If your hostess is out, you leave one of your own cards for her and two of your husband's—one for her and one for her husband. If she is unmarried, you leave only one of your husband's cards with the one of your own. If you are unmarried you leave one card of your own.

If she is at home you leave no card of your own, but one of your husband's for an unmarried and two for a married woman.

The general length of time for a call is about twenty minutes. Anything in the way of an umbrella or parcel that you happen to be carrying should be left in the hall.

About Inquiries.

If you hear that one of your acquaintances is ill or in trouble it is usual to call at the house to ask how she is and leave a card having "With kind inquiries" or "With sincere sympathy" written on it. You should not go in unless you are specially pressed to do so. When your friend is better she will probably send out postcards having "With thanks for kind inquiries" written on them. These cards count as a call, and it is then your turn to call again.

Man's Way.

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WILL RUSH CONSTRUCTION

C. N. R. FROM COAST TO COAST IN THREE YEARS

Sir Donald Mann is Very Enthusiastic Over Progress of Construction Work—Hopes to Have Trains Running from Coast to Coast Within Three Years—Fleet of Steamers for Great Lakes.

Winnipeg.—In three years the Canadian Northern will have a transcontinental railroad, and one year from next spring the C. N. R. will have a fleet of passenger steamers on the Great Lakes.

This was the information recently given by Sir Donald Mann, in an interview, speaking of the construction work in the west. Sir Donald was quite enthusiastic over the progress that had been made.

"Already," said Sir Donald, "ninety miles of grade work has been completed from the coast to Hope, and on this section of the road the tracklaying is going on rapidly. From Vancouver the work is progressing, and the first forty miles of grade will be finished in December. Between Hope and Kamloops the grading is being done all along the line, work having just got nicely started.

"We hope to have this section completed within two years, and in fact the contractors are under contract to be finished in that time. However, I think it will take perhaps six months or a year longer to do this. Trains should be running in three years and from the look of the way things are progressing on the eastern section the line at the end of three years will look very much like a transcontinental."

Asked if there was any truth in the statement that Canadian Northern interests were behind the extending of American lines into Canada, Sir Donald stated: "We are building the Canadian Northern to take the business through Canada."

West Should Harvest Every Acre
Winnipeg.—The Free Press commercial editor says editorially recently:

The American corn crop is decidedly short and corn will be very dear, and many closely identified with the trade declare it will reach the highest price in ten years. Ontario is very short of oats and hay and the root crops are not up to the standard. Every additional report from Russia shows conditions there extremely bad and famine is mentioned already. Rates are lowered on such crops between points of the empire and the lowering will be applied to imports in the same line. France is another country short of feed.

This is a reason why Canadian should harvest every acre of crops as the prices will assuredly be of the best.

Floods in China are Subsiding
Hankow, China.—The floods resulting from the Yang Tse river overflowing its banks, which transformed hundreds of miles of the Yang Tse valley into an enormous lake and caused great loss of life, are generally subsiding. In addition to the heavy death list many thousands of natives have been made homeless and destitute. The rice crop in the provinces of Hupeh and Hunan probably will be the only one, but other cereals have suffered badly. The rice crop in Ngan Hwei, another province watered by the Yang Tse river is of an exceptionally poor quality.

Rich Gold Find Reported in B. C.
Vancouver, B. C.—A. Shepard, manager of the Tatlayako gold mines, confirms the reported discovery of rich gold and silver bearing properties in Chilcotin district, British Columbia. In the opinion of Shepard the district will prove by far the richest in the province. A stampede has already started from Ashcroft.

Hamar Greenwood in Canada
Montreal.—Hamar Greenwood, M. P., the Canadian member of the British house of commons, is in the city. He explains that he is simply making a trip through the Dominion as far as the Pacific coast and that there is nothing of a political nature in connection with his visit.

Presents From the King
London.—One of the best known firms of West-end jewellers have just received a very large order from the King. The majority of articles to be put in hand are monogram scarf pins, and are for distribution during the forthcoming royal tour in India.

Estimates of Grain Yield
Winnipeg.—The estimate of the North-West Grain Dealers' Association of the season's crop of wheat is 177,500,000 bushels. Oats 182,250,000; barley, 34,500,000; flax, 7,500,000.

Rails For H. B. Road
Ottawa, Ont.—The Canadian government is calling for bids to furnish ten thousand tons of steel rails for the Hudson's Bay railway. Bids will be received up to October 13.

Raise Freight Rates
Liverpool.—As a result of the recent strike, the shipping companies engaged in the Atlantic trade have decided to increase freight rates ten per cent.

CHINESE RISE IN REVOLT.

The Cancellation of Railway Concessions Is Responsible For The Trouble

Washington.—A crisis has arisen in the turbulent province of Szechuan in China, and foreign offices, not only of the United States but of other countries have taken precautionary steps for the safety of their citizens in that section.

American gun boats will be brought into play to guard American citizens and an international naval array is at hand in Chinese waters. American Charge d' Affaires Williams at Peking, recently cabled the state department that the situation had become critical in Szechuan where public meetings in various cities accompanied with the closing of shops and schools and the refusal to pay taxes have culminated in serious disturbances.

American Methodist missionaries at Chung King and Cheng Tu have informed Mr. Williams that none of them has yet left except that American and British ladies have left Cheng Tu for Chung King. Resistance, however, to the government is said to be more passive than active.

CANADIAN MISSIONARIES SAFE

Message Received From Secretary of Methodist Mission Board Is Reassuring

Toronto.—T. E. Shore, the secretary of the Methodist foreign mission board, received the following cablegram from Dr. S. L. Kilbourn, who is in charge of the Methodist missionaries in China.

"All is well here and at all our stations, for which we are all grateful. There are no disquieting rumors to amount to anything in west China. We trust to get through the summer safely. Signed, S. L. Kilbourn."

Mr. Shore said that the danger was probably exaggerated. "There is no need for anyone feeling alarm at present," he said. "We have no reason to feel that harm will come to our missionaries in China, and should not anticipate it."

\$2,000,000 Coal Handling Plant

Fort William, Ont.—Equipped with boarding camps and all incidentals to constructive work on a large scale, the Canadian Stewart Company has begun work on the \$2,000,000 coal handling plant and freight terminal long contemplated on Island No. 1, for the C. P. R. Work on the construction of the boarding camps has been under way several days, and actual work of a permanent nature will be inaugurated in the immediate future, and the intention is to keep the work going all winter in order to take advantage of the favorable labor market, which heretofore has obtained here during the cold portion of the winter. Several hundred men will be employed, and it is probable that it will be four or five years before the plant is ultimately completed.

Divorce Increases in Germany

Berlin.—Divorce in Germany, the classic land of husband-and-wife, is heavily on the increase, according to the official statistics for 1909, which have just been published.

While the average number of divorces during the five preceding years was about 12,000, the number rose in 1909 to 14,730. No fewer than 6,222 divorced men and 6,261 divorced women had been previously married. Statistics show that men's favorite marrying age in Germany is between twenty-four and twenty-six, while that of women is between twenty-one and twenty-four.

Change in Title for the Governor

Ottawa.—When the Duke of Connaught comes to Canada his correct title will be "His Royal Highness Duke of Connaught, Governor-general of Canada." The secretary of state has written the city clerk to that effect and also pointing out that contrary to custom in the past, the new governor-general will not be termed "His Excellency." The title borne by Earl Grey and his predecessors while representing the King in this country will be dropped. During the duke's term of office, the letters H. R. H. will precede his present title.

Wm. McKinnon Resigns

Ottawa.—Wm. McKinnon, B. A., Canadian trade commissioner at Birmingham, England, has resigned, and will, it is understood, go into private business. Mr. McKinnon was for some years in the fruit branch of the department of agriculture and was sent to Bristol as trade commissioner in 1904. J. E. Roy, trade commissioner at Havana, Cuba, has been instructed to replace Mr. McKinnon in Birmingham.

\$750,000 in Gold Reaches Seattle

Seattle, Wn.—The steamship Senator arrived from Nome recently with 240 passengers and \$750,000 of gold bullion consigned to San Francisco. Besides this gold many of the passengers carried treasure. O. P. Goss had \$50,000 in dust, the result of two years toil in Iditarod, and Wong Ley, a Chinese laborer, who had employed his spare time in washing out Yukon gravel, had \$4,000.

Wolves in North Quebec

Ottawa.—Reports have been received from the lumber camps in northern Quebec up the Ottawa and Gatineau rivers that the great number of wolves in the woods is causing widespread alarm. In several cases parties have been forced to find refuge in trees and remain there overnight.

IS NO DANGER NOW OF WAR

GERMANY STILL EXPECTS A SLICE OF THE CONGO

German Foreign Secretary States That His Country Never Had Slightest Intention of Going to War Over a "Parcel of African Sandhills"—Terms of Settlement to be Announced October 1.

Berlin.—Herr Von Kiderlin Waechter, the foreign secretary, assures his friends that danger of war between Germany and France over Morocco has passed. He hoped to be able to announce the terms of the settlement in the Reichstag on October 10.

Germany according to Herr Von Kiderlin Waechter, never had the slightest intention of going to war about what he called a "Parcel of African sandhills."

It further is understood that the future political status of France in Morocco has been settled. The chief task now before the negotiators is to find the necessary economic formulas to secure genuinely fair treatment for Germany and other nationalities in Morocco.

Two big piles of papers containing France's final proposals, and Germany's counter proposals, are lying side by side on a table at the foreign office. Their tenor will be discussed by the foreign secretary and Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg, who has just returned from an audience with the Kaiser at Kiel.

It is now clear that Germany will consent to a French protectorate over Morocco in return for a treaty which will strictly define her economic rights in that country, and, in addition to this, a slice of the Congo. It is understood that Germany is asking 400,000 square miles in the Congo. France is reluctant to cede more than 150,000 square miles.

C. P. R. Short Line is Being Rushed

Calgary.—The short-cut C. P. R. line between Calgary and Lethbridge will be completed September 28, and traffic will be opened the first week in October.

A permanent schedule will not be inaugurated for some time yet, but local trains will be put on immediately after the work of track-laying is completed.

It is anticipated that the present service between Lethbridge and Carmanagay will be extended to Aldersyde immediately, and that there will be a passenger train between Calgary and Lethbridge daily, except Sunday.

There will probably be an immediate change in the mail, the stage routes to the towns between Aldersyde and Carmanagay being abandoned.

The service will depend on the progress made with the final details of the work. Announcement of the temporary schedule will be made in about two weeks.

Spiral Shaft Solution

New York.—A London cable says: The engineering section of the British association describes a new system of locomotion for continuous passenger service which solves the rapid transit problem. The system consists of a series of independent threaded cars, driven on controllers by a specially threaded shaft. The operation is practically independent of the human element and the cars move slowly at stations, with high speed between.

Machine Guns Responsible for Loss

St. Petersburg.—A supplementary report received recently from Teheran, Persia, establishes that the outcome of the battles at Imanzadeh and Jaffar on Sept. 5, when the forces of ex-Shah Mohammed Ali Mirza suffered a crushing defeat, was decided by the government machine guns operated under the direction of the German instructor of the Persian army, Major Haaz.

New Wheat Being Marketed

Brandon.—Considerable new wheat is being marketed here and it is grading No. 2 and No. 3, northern. The wheat is turning out as well as expected on the average, and in many cases much better than was looked for, as was shown by one farmer here with a load who figured on 18 bushels to the acre and now finds his yield is 24 bushels.

Archaeologists Discover Gospel

Rome.—The Tribune reports that Armenian priests, who are at Brindis, say that they have heard from an archaeological mission in Egypt that there has been discovered a fifth and heretofore unknown gospel. They are going to Egypt to certify the claim of the members of the mission. The gospel is said to be written on papyrus.

Big Steel Plant for Canada

London.—A. W. Farnsworth, consulting engineer of London, England, visited this city recently, in the interests of English capitalists who are looking for a location for the erection of a \$5,000,000 steel plant. Farnsworth is visiting all the principal towns in Canada.

Secret Service Men Seek "Mona Lisa"

Los Angeles, Cal.—John E. Wilkie, chief of the United States secret service, is here on a search for the stolen "Mona Lisa." The secret service is said to have information that the painting was smuggled across the border from Canada at a point west of the Great Lakes.

WILL LIKELY GET CONCESSIONS

But France Will Be Compensated in Morocco for What She Gives Away

London.—The Mail gives prominence to a statement from an anonymous diplomatic correspondent who says that France's sacrifices in the Congo though less than Germany demanded, is to such an extent that it will surprise and perhaps exasperate the French, but the compensation will be found in the conditions France insists upon in Morocco.

France proposes that the new agreement take the form of a treaty or convention signed by European powers and the United States. If Germany consents, Austria and Italy will consent; Great Britain and Russia have already consented.

As to the terms of the treaty, the correspondent says they are more precise than the Franco-German agreement of 1909, acknowledging not merely France's political interest in Morocco, but also the military interests, giving necessary guarantees of the open door.

DIRECT LINE TO WINNIPEG

The Canadian Northern Are Hustling Their New Line to Point on Calgary and Vegreville

Calgary.—Word has been received in Calgary that the Canadian Northern is making an effort to have considerable work done on their line from Alsask to Munson completed at once. This is on the Goose Lake extension, and is the link which will complete the short line from Saskatoon to Calgary. Alsask is just inside the border line. Munson, which is also known as Fox Coulee, is the point where this line joins the Vegreville to Calgary line.

This line will be constructed within a very short time after the Vegreville to Calgary branch is finished, and will make a short line from here to Winnipeg.

Many Officials Short of Money

Ottawa, Ont.—The sudden dissolution of parliament without voting supplies has caused hard times in several departments of the government service. Five twelfths vote obtained by the government on all their unvoted supplies just previous to adjournment in May has run out, leaving much of the service without money.

In Canada, where the situation is pretty clearly understood, individuals and offices affected have small trouble in financing, but Canadian agents and representatives outside of Canada are in anxious communication with heads of departments here with a view to getting money for salaries, expenses, etc. In most cases there will have to borrow at interest, in hope that the extra charges will be met by the auditor general.

Ocean Rates to Be Increased 10 p. c.

London.—Discussing the report of the advance in ocean freight rates, the manager of the International Mercantile company said that negotiations of a delicate nature had been proceeding among the most prominent companies as a result of which the declaration to be arrived at was an increase of ten per cent. The remaining companies would undoubtedly follow. He admitted that nothing had been definitely settled as to when the change would become operative but suggested Oct. 1st as likely. One of the London officials of the Allan line said that an immediate increase of inward and outward rates on their lines was inevitable and will probably operate in October.

Germany is Lining Up Troops

Paris.—La Liberte affirms that notwithstanding denials and explanations, Germany is gradually concentrating her troops close to the French frontier. Careful inquiry, the paper says, show that 30,000 infantry, 10,000 cavalry and 150 guns have been gathered in a triangle which has for its points Moncelles, Vie and Dieuze, and in Echelon to the southeast that numerous forces have been drawn up opposite to Nancy and that immense accumulation of material has been disposed of along the German boundary.

Sinister Find Deepens Mystery

Parry Sound, Ont.—The mystery surrounding the wreck of the tug Martin in the Georgian Bay, in a moderate gale, is only deepened by the finding of the unidentified body of one of the victims on a shoal off Black Bill Islands. Near the body was a small raft, evidently made out of the doors and part of the cabin of the wrecked tug, and from the appearance of the body, the man must have been alive on the raft some time after the disaster.

Australia Wants Reciprocal Trade

Melbourne, Australia.—The Fisher administration, convinced that there exists a strong demand throughout the commonwealth for reciprocal trade with Canada, has taken up the question in earnest, and is now engaged in drafting a bill making the necessary tariff changes. It is announced the measure will not be tabled until towards the end of the session.

Decision Again Reserved

Lethbridge, Alta.—The Kipp towns-site case, which has been interesting the people of this vicinity for over two years, had another round out of the board of railway commissioners recently. Decision was reserved. Several other minor cases were taken up and decision reserved.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XII.—THIRD QUARTER, FOR SEPT. 17, 1911.

Text of the Lesson, Dan. iii, 13-28, Memory Verses, 17, 18—Golden Text, Heb. xiii, 6—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The first chapter ended with Daniel continuing. Many being well who do not so continue, but one mark of a true disciple is patient continuance (1 Cor. xv, 58). The second chapter ends with Daniel promoted to be a great man, ruler over the whole province of Babylon and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon. He also sat in the gate of the king, but we may be sure that he was there for the Lord God of Israel rather than for the king of Babylon. In his high position he did not forget his three friends, but by his request they also were set over the affairs of the province of Babylon (chapter ii, 4, 49).

The vision granted to the king of Babylon and the part of the interpretation which said "Thou art this head of gold" seem to have affected him more than the words "The God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom" (ii, 37, 38), and so he caused to be made a great image all of gold and set it up in the plain of Dura and gathered all his rulers and great men to the dedication of this image.

There are in this chapter ten references to this image, as made or set up by the king, that all people might fall down and worship it. The penalty for disobedience was to be cast into a burning fiery furnace (verse 6). The importance of this man in his own estimation is seen, also in chapter iv, 30, in the words, "Is not this great Babylon that I have built?" by the might of my power and for the honor of my majesty?" He is strikingly suggestive of one soon to come who will cause to be made an image that can speak and who will kill all who will not worship his image and prevent all from doing business who have not his mark (Rev. xiii, 11-17).

His thought and manner of conduct are seen in such words as these: "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds. I will be like the Most High." "He shall exalt himself and magnify himself above every god and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods." "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God or that is worshipped so that he, as God, sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God" (Isa. xiv, 14; Dan. xi, 36-41; Thess. ii, 4).

The end of this trio will be not a furnace of fire, but the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone and torment forever (Rev. xix, 19, 20; xx, 10). See the contrast in the future of those who worship Him and those who will rather die than worship Him (Rev. xiv, 9-11; xv, 2-4). Oh, for grace to stand as did the friends of Daniel and bow down to nothing that any man set up, whether of doctrine or good works or any scheme that is not of God.

Judging from verses 3 and 7, there must have been an immense company of people and a most magnificent and imposing celebration at the dedication of this image. It might be said that the like of it was never seen on earth before. In a sense, all the world gathered to honor the world ruler. Had Daniel's friends not been Jews and not occupying so high a position in the kingdom (verse 12) they might possibly not have been noticed, but there were envy and jealousy enough abroad to cause them to be keenly watched.

The rage and fury of the king were very great when he learned that any one had refused to bow to his image, but when his offer of a second opportunity was rejected with the words "Be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up," then his fury knew no bounds and quickly were these three men of God cast into the burning fiery furnace (verses 1-3, 18-23). Note their splendid confidence in God in the words "Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king" (verse 17).

It is not His pleasure always to save us from trials and persecutions. On the contrary, we are taught to expect these things, but all in order that He may be seen and glorified in us (John xvi, 33; Phil. i, 29; Matt. v). See in their case a literal fulfillment of Isa. xliii, 2, and, though the fire slew the men who cast them into the furnace, they walked about in it unharmed. The fire had no power upon their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them, because they trusted in God (verses 27, 28).

There was one with them whom even the king could see—one who is the same yesterday, to day and forever, who has all power in heaven and on earth and who will be with His people in every trial and not suffer any to be tried beyond grace given to bear it. He was seen that day only in the furnace, and when He permits us to enter some furnace it is in order that He may be seen with us or in us.

He was specially seen in Joseph while a slave in Potiphar's house and a prisoner unjustly imprisoned. These men in the furnace were wholly unharmed and lost only the bonds which had bound them. Trials set us more free from many things to walk with God. Note in verse 29 the worldwide God honoring decree, because of their faithfulness, and in verse 30 their own further promotions.

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THE DERELICT

I had loitered about the station till the 1.30 train had left its black trail of smoke only faintly outlined in the distance. As I was meandering aimlessly on the platform I saw a woman who did not differ in appearance from the rest of the human flotsam and jetsam, one seen on a railway station. Her dress bespoke a stylish cut, but on scrutiny was somewhat soiled.

I was somewhat surprised when she seemed suddenly to make toward me, and absolutely startled to hear the refined tone and perfect pronunciation of an educated lady emerging from such a person. Her speech and manner of address caused me to look very closely at her and the closer I looked at her, the more evident it became that she had sunk lowly in the social scale. I recoiled a little from her. Then she laughed a short laugh, in a low key, yet it managed to convey all the cynical bitterness and reckless abandon which afterwards prepped through her talk. Before I could reply to her question, she said, "You are thinking how high I once figured in the society? I hook my head. There was nothing but her voice upon which to base a calculation."

"I should think you have dropped a considerable distance," I hazarded "and you don't look as if you had fallen on anything soft."

"That's so," she agreed, "my fellow creatures imagine its their duty to keep me down. Look at them," she further added, nodding her head at a number of people on the sidewalk "they are the finished articles of Christian civilization; and there isn't one of them will walk far out of the way to help me. If I were found dead to-morrow morning, no one would trouble to inquire the cause. Bah! They haven't sufficient intelligence to understand even my contempt for them. Do you think any other civilization ever produced such a scrubbed, soulless, inhuman crowd as that?"

She laughed, and it was not pleasant to hear.

"That" I suggested "is a good reason for keeping from under their feet." I mused to myself for a moment and unconsciously said in French "C'est la force et le droit qui reglent toutes choses le la monde; la force en attendant le droit" (Force and right are the governors of this world; force till right is ready)

"Yes, force" she replied in good French, "They trampled on me with their heavy boots, until it has ceased to hurt. You see the result. It isn't pretty, is it? And telling you how it happened won't improve it."

"It might be interesting" I ventured.

"I was trained for a doctor."

"A doctor" I cried in a started voice.

"Yes, I was Dr. Mercury" she said "I passed through University with the highest diplomas. I don't mind telling you that I was looked upon as a lady with a brilliant future. My practice was a good one and growing rapidly, but it had swallowed every cent of capital I possessed. But I happened to step out of the recognized limits to oblige a friend who promptly left me in the lurch when things went wrong. Just think of it: the cost of my training, the years of hard work to pass examinations, the uphill fight to establish a reputation, the worry and anxiety, which comes to a woman, who stakes all on a single chance, and then to be deprived of the work to work at your own profession."

"But surely you've done something with what was left of the ruins?"

"Yes" she said "I did. I could

tell you much better than you can tell me what I might have done, but all I wanted to do at that time was to forget. I drank brandy; I left my town, and came West, and by the time my thoughts had hardened and my money was gone, I was too hopeless a wreck to care about the future at all. After all what does it matter? I am only one ant crawling about the heap. The fact that I have crawled through the mud instead of keeping on a clean road won't upset the equilibrium of the universe."

"That is so," I admitted "but it does not explain the fact that a woman who has known the decencies and comforts of life with which you were familiar can complacently accept such a condition of life as you are putting up with at the present time. How can an intelligent woman like you, with a capacity for enjoying the good things of life, give up all desire for a decent home, and the companionship of congenial spirits?"

Her furtive glance searched my face for a moment, and then she replied "That puzzles you, does it? You only see the contrast, while I have drifted gradually through all the degrees from one to the other. A nine years' journey, during which everything I was has dropped from me bit by bit, and at no particular time was I conscious of loss or change. There are landmarks of course. I remember ———"

"Are you trying to persuade me?" I asked "that the possibility of stepping back into your old surroundings has no fascination for you?"

"It isn't a possibility" she replied "as I haven't considered it. I am so far gone that it would be almost as hard to go back as it was to leave."

"Would you take the chance if you had it?"

"It might be worth a trial."

I took her to my home, and endeavored to do the best for her in my feminine way. Alas! just after a week's sojourn her old vice broke out, and I found her under the influence of drink. I was annoyed. Her despondent mood asserted itself and she said "I know you are disappointed but I am a derelict, water-logged, rudderless, and drifting with the current."

"And what will be the end?" I asked.

"What is the end of most derelicts?" she retorted. "They are smashed against the rocks or sink out of site. Who cares? What does it matter? There's plenty of them drifting about the ocean of life and nobody is sorry when they vanish. Nay, there is always some ready to dispatch them, or at least help them along."

I gave her a little money, (I am too sympathetic a creature, so say my friends) and let her go. She is indeed a derelict, encrusted with weeds, shells, deserted and hopeless. Was her callous indifference a mere mask? Did she ever think of her girlhood? The mother who loved her? The father who was proud of her talents? Had there ever been a man whose smile made her pulse quicken? Who can tell? She is a derelict drifting—drifting into the Great Unknown.

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